



United States Senator Michael Bennet

# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

*Resource Guide*

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The following information about funding included in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 was compiled by the office of Senator Michael Bennet. This document is intended to provide the public with basic information of potential federal assistance and funding opportunities. Those interested in these or similar programs should contact the appropriate federal and state agencies for detailed information. Please note: Not all applicable programs are included below; the following information is subject to change; and additional requirements, restrictions and guidance may apply.

## Arts

### American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Grants

*\$30 million included for competitive awards through the NEA.*

**Agency:** National Endowment of the Arts (NEA)

**Description:** To fund arts projects and activities which preserve jobs in the non-profit arts sector threatened by declines in philanthropic and other support during the current economic downturn. These funds will be distributed through a competitive grants process

**Note:** Matching requirement waived

**Website:** [www.nea.gov](http://www.nea.gov) [www.nea.gov/grants/apply/index.html](http://www.nea.gov/grants/apply/index.html)

**Contact:** (202) 682-5400

## Services for Children and Families

### Nonprofit Organizations Capacity Building Grant

\$50 million was included for a new grants initiative for nonprofit organizations nationwide.

**Office:** Office of Community Services, Administration on Children and Families

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

**Description:** Creates a new initiative under section 1110 of the Social Security Act to award capacity-building grants directly to nonprofit organizations. These competitive grants will be used to expand the delivery of social services to individuals and communities affected by the economic downturn.

**Phone:** (415) 437-8400 (Administration for Children and Families, Region IX)

**Website:** <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/>

## EDUCATION

### Teacher Quality Enhancement Competitive State Grants

*\$100 million was included for the Teacher Quality State Grants program.*

**Agency:** Office of Postsecondary Education, U.S. Department of Education

**Description:** To provide grants to States to improve the quality of the teaching workforce. States may use grant funds to reform teacher licensing and certification requirements; provide alternative methods of teacher preparation; and provide alternative routes to State certification. The funds provided in the economic recovery bill will assist States in modernizing the teaching workforce, address teacher shortages, and provide new routes to teaching for jobless individuals seeking to enter the teaching field.

**Contact:** (202) 502-7676 (Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants Program)

**Website:** <http://www.ed.gov/programs/heatqp/eligibility.html>

### Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems Grant Program

*\$250 million was included in competitive grants was provided for the Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems Program.*

**Agency:** Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education

**Description:** To make competitive grants to States to enable them to design and develop statewide longitudinal data systems that use individual student data for reporting and improving student achievement and to facilitate research to improve student achievement and close achievement gaps. With these grants, states could increase the capacity of their data systems, provide teachers the information they need to tailor instruction to help each student improve, and give administrators the resources and information to effectively and efficiently manage their data systems.

**Contact:** (202) 502-7300 (National Center for Education Statistics)

**Website:** <http://nces.ed.gov/programs/slds/>

### Student Financial Assistance

*\$15.64 billion was included for the Pell Grant program. \$200 million was included for work-study programs. These additional funds will provide immediate financial relief to an additional 800,000 students and their families who are struggling to pay for the cost of a higher education during the economic downturn.*

**Agency:** Office of Federal Student Aid, U.S. Department of Education

**Description:** To provide need-based scholarships for undergraduate students. Students may fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to determine if they are eligible to receive a Federal Pell Grant or Work-Study funds.

**Contact:** (800) 433-3243 or (800) 4FED-AID

**Website:** <http://www.ed.gov/programs/fpg/index.html>

## ENERGY

### **Tribal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant**

*\$64 million was included for tribes.*

**Agency:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), U.S. Department of Energy

**Description:** To reduce fossil fuel emissions, decrease overall energy consumption, Improve energy efficiency in the transportation, building, and other energy consuming sectors of the economies of eligible entities. The program provides federal grants to units of local government, Indian tribes, states, and U.S. territories to reduce energy use and fossil fuel emissions, and for improvements in energy efficiency. Grant recipients could use funds to promote energy efficiency, conservation, and renewable energy programs and projects that are building blocks for a strong economy, curb use of fossil fuels, and improve environmental quality.

**Contact:** (877) EERE-INFO (877) 337-3463(775) 687-9706

**Website:** [http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block\\_grants.cfm](http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block_grants.cfm); <http://www.colorado.gov/energy/>  
(Colorado Office of Energy)

### **Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Research**

*\$2.5 billion was included for research, development, demonstration, and deployment.*

**Agency:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), U.S. Department of Energy

**Programs:** \$2.5 billion for applied research, development, demonstration and deployment activities at DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE). Of this funding, \$800 million is set aside for biomass energy projects, \$50 million is set aside for information and communications technology efficiency, and \$400 million for geothermal energy projects.

EERE's programs conduct activities in partnership with the private sector, state and local government, DOE national laboratories, and universities.

**CO Profile:** [http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/states/state\\_specific\\_information.cfm/state=CO](http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/states/state_specific_information.cfm/state=CO)

**Website:** [www.eere.energy.gov](http://www.eere.energy.gov)

## Biomass Program

*\$800 million to be dedicated to projects related to biomass.*

**Agency:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), U.S. Department of Energy

**Description:** For research, development and demonstration for converting biomass resources to biofuels.

**Contact:** (877) 337-3463 (EERE Information Center)eere\_biomass@ee.doe.gov

**Website:** [www.eere.energy.gov/biomass](http://www.eere.energy.gov/biomass)

## Geothermal Technologies Program

*\$400 million to be dedicated for geothermal activities and projects.*

**Agency:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), U.S. Department of Energy

**Description:** Research, development and demonstration efforts that emphasize the advancement of enhanced geothermal systems.

**Contact:** (877) 337-3463 (EERE Information Center)

**Website:** [www.eere.energy.gov/geothermal](http://www.eere.energy.gov/geothermal)

## Advanced Battery Manufacturing

*\$2 billion was included for Advanced Battery Manufacturing grants to support the manufacturing of advanced vehicle batteries and components.*

**Agency:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), U.S. Department of Energy

**Description:** For the manufacturing of advanced batteries and components; and to provide facility funding to manufacturers of advanced battery systems and vehicle batteries that are produced in the United States, including advanced lithium ion batteries, hybrid electrical systems, component manufacturers, and software designers. These funds will be distributed through competitive grants.

**Contact:** (877) 337-3463 (EERE Information Center)

**Website:** [www.eere.energy.gov](http://www.eere.energy.gov)

**Solicitation:** Electric Drive Vehicle Battery and Component Manufacturing Initiative, <http://www.energy.gov/recovery/funding.htm> (Reference Number: DE-FOA-0000026)

## Alternative Fueled Vehicle Pilot Grant Program

*\$300 million was included for the Alternative Fueled Vehicles Pilot Grant Program.*

**Agency:** Clean Cities Program, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)U.S. Department of Energy

**Description:** To establish a grant program through the DOE Clean Cities Program to encourage the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles or other emerging electric vehicle technologies. Eligible applicants for this competitive grants process are State governments, local governments, metropolitan transportation authorities, air pollution control districts, and private or nonprofit entities. Funding through this grant may be used for the acquisition of alternative fueled vehicles, fuel cell vehicles or hybrid vehicles, including buses for public transportation and ground support vehicles at public airports. The installation or acquisition of infrastructure necessary to directly support an alternative fueled vehicle, fuel cell vehicle, or hybrid vehicle project funded by the grant is also eligible.

**CO Profile:** <http://www.afdc.energy.gov/cleancities/progs/coordinators.php#CO>

**Contact:** (877) 337-3463 - EERE General Information Center

**Website:** [www.eere.energy.gov/cleancities](http://www.eere.energy.gov/cleancities)

**Solicitation:** Electric Drive Vehicle Battery and Component Manufacturing Initiative, <http://www.energy.gov/recovery/funding.htm> (Reference Number: DE-FOA-0000026)

## Transportation Electrification

*\$400 million for Transportation Electrification grant projects.*

**Agency:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), U.S. Department of Energy

**Description:** To implement a grant program for qualified electric transportation projects that reduce emissions, including shipside electrification of vehicles, truck stop electrification, airport ground support equipment and cargo handling equipment. Eligible applicants for this competitive grant program are States, local governments, and metropolitan transportation authorities.

**Contact:** (877) 337-3463 - EERE General Information Center

**Website:** [www.eere.energy.gov](http://www.eere.energy.gov)

**Solicitation:** Transportation Electrification, <http://www.energy.gov/recovery/funding.htm> (Reference Number: DE-FOA-0000028)

## Smart Grid Investment Program

*\$4.5 billion was included for the Smart Grid Investment Program.*

**Agency:** Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, U.S. Department of Energy

**Description:** To modernize the electric grid, enhance security and reliability of the energy infrastructure, energy storage research, development, demonstration and deployment, and facilitate recovery from disruptions to the energy supply, and authorized purposes. Funds from this program may be used for research and development, pilot projects, and federal matching funds for the Smart Grid Investment Program to meet the goal of a modern electric grid, enhance security and reliability of energy infrastructure, and facilitate recovery from disruptions to the energy supply. The Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability projects are

planned and implemented in concert with partners from other Federal programs; electric utilities; equipment manufacturers; regional, state, and local agencies; national laboratories; and universities.

**Reference:** [http://www.oe.energy.gov/DocumentsandMedia/EISA\\_Title\\_XIII\\_Smart\\_Grid.pdf](http://www.oe.energy.gov/DocumentsandMedia/EISA_Title_XIII_Smart_Grid.pdf)

**Contact:** (202) 586-1411 (Office of Electricity, Delivery and Energy Reliability)

**Website:** [www.oe.energy.gov](http://www.oe.energy.gov)    [www.oe.energy.gov/smartgrid.htm](http://www.oe.energy.gov/smartgrid.htm)

## Fossil Energy Research and Development Program

*\$3.4 billion was included for Fossil Energy Research and Development Program.*

**Agency:** Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy

**Description:** Research and Development programs include pollution control innovations for traditional power plants, including mercury reduction; improved gasification technologies; advanced combustion systems; development of stationary power fuel cells; improved turbines for future coal-based combined cycle plants; and creation of a portfolio of technologies that can capture and permanently store greenhouse gases. Eligible activities under this program include research and development (R&D) partnerships, cooperative R&D agreements, financial assistance, and contractual arrangements with universities and the private sector.

**CO Profile:** <http://fossil.energy.gov/fred/feprograms.jsp?prog=all&state=CO>

**Contact:** (202) 586-6660 (Office of Fossil Energy)

**Website:** [www.fossil.energy.gov](http://www.fossil.energy.gov)

## Science Program

*\$1.6 billion was included for the science program.*

**Agency:** Office of Science, U.S. Department of Energy

**Description:** The Office of Science manages fundamental research programs in basic energy sciences, biological and environmental sciences, and computational science.

**CO Profile:** [http://www.sc.doe.gov/SC\\_Funding/co/co.htm](http://www.sc.doe.gov/SC_Funding/co/co.htm)

**Contact:** (202) 586-5430 (Office of Science), <http://www.sc.doe.gov/Contact/index.htm>

**Website:** [www.science.doe.gov](http://www.science.doe.gov)    [www.science.doe.gov/grants/grants.html](http://www.science.doe.gov/grants/grants.html)

## Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA-E)

*\$400 million included for the Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA-E).*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Energy

**Description:** To support high-risk, high-payoff research to accelerate the innovation cycle for both traditional and alternative energy sources and energy. In 2007, Congress approved (PL 110-



69) the creation of the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E). Modeled after the Defense Research Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), ARPA-E will develop and deploy advanced energy technologies by identifying and promoting revolutionary advances in fundamental sciences, translating those discoveries into technological innovations, and accelerating transformational technological advances in areas that industry by itself is not likely to undertake. Eligibility eligible applicants under this program include institutions of higher education, companies, research foundations, trade and industry research collaborations, or consortia of such entities, which may include federally-funded research and development centers.  
**Contact:** (800) dial-DOE, (800) 342-5363

**Website:** [www.energy.gov](http://www.energy.gov)

## Clean Renewable Energy Bonds (CREB)

*\$1.6 billion included for the Clean Renewable Energy Bonds.*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Treasury

**Description:** To allow cities, counties, and electric cooperatives to use bonds to finance renewable energy and energy efficiency projects.

**Website:** Applications available from IRS (<http://www.irs.gov/>)

## Qualified Energy Conservation Bond

*\$2.5 billion included for the Qualified Energy Conservation Bond.*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Treasury

**Description:** Gives authority for which cities, counties, and electric cooperatives can compete to finance programs and initiatives designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

**Website:** Applications available from IRS (<http://www.irs.gov/>)

## Renewable Energy Transmission Infrastructure Program

*\$3.25 billion included in borrowing authority*

**Agency:** Western Area Power Administration

**Description:** This money is for the purpose of building, financing or studying new transmission capacity that will expedite renewable energy production. Open to private and public sector competitive solicitation.

**Website:** <http://www.wapa.gov/>

**Request for Interest:** <http://www.wapa.gov/recovery/Request%20for%20SOIs.pdf>

# ENVIRONMENT INFRASTRUCTURE

## Diesel Emission Reduction Program

*\$300 million was included for Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) grants.*

**Agency:** U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

**Description:** Funds technologies to retrofit emission exhaust systems, such as on school buses and other vehicles, replace engines and vehicles, and establish anti-idling programs - 70% of the funding supports nation-wide, competitive grants, the remaining 30% funds grants to states with approved programs

**Note:** Waives the State Grant and Loan Program matching incentive provisions of DERA.

**Website:** <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/diesel/>

**Contact:** <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/diesel/ncdc-cmt.htm>

## Construction Grants

*\$2 billion was included for United States Army Corps of Engineers for construction activities.*

**Agency:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, South Pacific Division

**Description:** Provides public engineering and construction services for navigation, flood and storm protection, ecosystem restoration, environmental protection, and an array of other purposes. Funding included for ongoing projects, not to initiate new projects.

**Website:** <http://www.spd.usace.army.mil/>

**Contact:** (415) 503-6514 (U.S. Army Corps, South Pacific Division)

## Maintenance Grants

*\$2 billion was included United States Army Corps of Engineers for operation and maintenance activities.*

**Agency:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, South Pacific Division

**Description:** Provides funding for the operation and maintenance of facilities constructed by the Corps. Work to be accomplished consists of dredging, repair, and operation of structures and other facilities.

**Website:** <http://www.spd.usace.army.mil/>

**Contact:** (415) 503-6514 (U.S. Army Corps, South Pacific Division)

## Tribal Water Projects

*\$60 million included for water intake and treatment facilities.*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of the Interior

**Description:** Reclamation, working with other agencies, supports rural water projects, including water intake and treatment facilities.

**Purpose:** Priority will be given to authorized rural water projects.

**Contact:** Bureau of Reclamation  
U.S. Department of the Interior  
1849 C Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20240-0001  
(202) 513-0501

**Website:** [www.usbr.gov](http://www.usbr.gov)

## HEALTH

### National Health Service Corps

*\$300 million was included for the National Health Service Corps.*

**Agency:** National Health Service Corps, Health Resources and Services Administration

**Description:** To address shortages of primary healthcare providers in specific health professional shortage areas. These competitive grants, scholarships, and loan repayment programs will be used for training primary healthcare providers including doctors, dentists, and nurses as well as helping to pay medical school expenses for students who agree to practice in underserved communities through the National Health Service Corps

**Website:** <http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/applications/>

**Contact:** (877) 464-4772 (HRSA Call Center)

### Health Care Workforce

*\$200 million was included for programs under Title VII and Title VIII of the Public Health Service Act.*

**Agency:** Bureau of Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration

**Description:** To provide for training of health professions. These competitive grants, scholarships, and loan repayment programs will be used for all the disciplines trained through the primary care medicine and dentistry program, the public health and preventive medicine program, and the scholarship and loan repayment programs for nurses and health professions.

**Website:** <http://www.hrsa.gov/help/healthprofessions.htm>  
<http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/default.htm>

**Contact:** (877) 464-4772 (HRSA Call Center)

## Biomedical Research

*\$8.2 billion was included for expanding biomedical research funded by National Institute of Health.*

**Agency:** National Institutes of Health

**Description:** To expand jobs in biomedical research to study diseases. \$7.4 million will be distributed to specific Institutes and Centers and to the Common Fund for biomedical research grants. \$800 million will be used by the Office of the Director for purposes that can be completed within two years, including short-term grants focused on specific scientific challenges, new research that expands the scope of ongoing projects, research on public and international health priorities, and to enhance central research support activities, centralized information support systems.

**Website:** <http://www.nih.gov/>

**Contact:** (301) 435-0714 (General Grant Information), [grantsinfo@od.nih.gov](mailto:grantsinfo@od.nih.gov)

## University Research Facilities

*\$1.3 billion was included for the National Institute of Health to renovate and equip university research facilities.*

**Agency:** National Center for Research Resources, National Institutes of Health

**Description:** To renovate and equip university research facilities. These funds will be distributed using the competitive grants process and will be used for the construction and renovation of extramural research facilities and for the acquisition of shared instrumentation and other capital research equipment.

**Website:** <http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/>

**Contact:** (301) 435-0888 (National Center for Research Resources)

## Prevention and Wellness Program

*\$1 billion was included for the Center for Disease Control for evidence based clinical and community prevention and wellness programs.*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

**Description:** To support state and local efforts to fight preventable chronic diseases and infectious diseases. Funds will be dispersed through a competitive grants process to carry out evidenced based clinical and community-based prevention and wellness strategies and public health workforce development activities, including immunization programs and state efforts to reduce healthcare-related infections. The Department has not decided which agencies will take the lead but the CDC is likely to be central to these efforts.

**Website:** <http://www.cdc.gov/> <http://www.hhs.gov/>

## Comparative Effectiveness Health Research

\$1.1 billion was included for HHS, the Agency on Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), and NIH

**Agency:** Agency on Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) and National Institutes of Health (NIH), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

**Description:** To compare the effectiveness of different medical treatments This funding, dispersed through a competitive grants process, will be used to conduct or support research to evaluate and compare clinical outcomes, effectiveness, risk, and benefits of two or more medical treatments and services that address a particular medical condition. This research will not be used to mandate coverage decisions or impose “one-size-fits-all” medicine on patients. It will be designed to enable medical professionals and patients improve treatment. \$300 million will be administered by AHRQ, \$400 million will be transferred to NIH, and \$400 million will be allocated at the discretion of the Secretary of HHS.

**Website:** <http://www.ahrq.gov/> <http://www.nih.gov/>

**Contact:** (301) 427-1364 (AHRQ)

## Health Information Technology Grants

*\$2 billion was included for discretionary grants to promote the adoption and use of interoperable health information technology (HIT).*

**Agency:** Office of the National Coordinator of Health Information Technology, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, CDC, and Indian Health Service/States or State-Designated Entities U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

**Description:** To promote the use and exchange of electronic health information in a manner consistent with the Office of the National Coordinator of Health Information Technology’s strategic plan. To award planning and implementation grants to states or qualified state-designated entities to facilitate and expand electronic health information exchange. To award grants to states or Indian tribes to establish loan programs for health care providers to purchase certified electronic health record technology, train personnel in the use of such technology, and improve the secure electronic exchange of health information. To provide financial assistance to universities to establish or expand medical informatics programs.

**Website:** <http://www.hhs.gov/healthit>

**Grant Announcement:**

<https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/FundingOppDetails.asp?FundingCycleId=9D3BA273-C492-4E5E-97D3-3BD6FB580E07&ViewMode=EU&GoBack=&PrintMode=N&OnlineAvailabilityFlag=&pageNumber=&version=1&NC=&Popup=>

**Contact:** (877) 696-6775 (HHS)

## Health Information Technology Improvements

*\$17 billion was included to improve investments and incentives through Medicare and Medicaid to ensure widespread adoption and use of interoperable health information technology (HIT).*

**Agency:** Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

**Description:** Provides incentives for the early adoption and use of interoperable HIT to Medicare and Medicaid providers and penalties in future years for providers not demonstrating meaningful use of Electronic Health Records. Provides eligible professionals who show meaningful use of an Electronic Health Record (EHR) in 2011 or 2012 with incentive payments of \$18,000 in the first year. Payment adjustments for eligible professionals not demonstrating meaningful use of an EHR would begin in 2015. Provides eligible hospitals (including Critical Access Hospitals) with incentive payments starting in Fiscal Year 2011 and payments adjustments for hospitals not demonstrating meaningful use of an EHR in Fiscal Year 2015.

**Website:**

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/RegionalOffices/Downloads/San%20Francisco%20Regional%20Office.pdf>

**Contact:** (800) MEDICARE

## COBRA Continuation Coverage

*\$24.7 billion was included for COBRA Continuation Coverage.*

**Agency:** Group Health Plan, US Department of Labor

**Description:** To provide individuals and their families with a premium subsidy of 65 percent of the COBRA continuation premiums for a maximum of 9 months of coverage only with respect to involuntary terminations that occurs on or after September 1, 2008, and before January 1, 2010. The full premium subsidy is limited by a taxpayer's adjusted gross income (AGI), \$125,000 for individuals and \$250,000 for joint filers and is phased out for individuals with an AGI between \$125,000 and \$145,000 and families with an AGI between \$250,000 and \$290,000. It provides a special 60-day election period for a qualified beneficiary who is eligible for a subsidized premium and who has not elected COBRA continuation coverage as of the date of enactment or who is no longer enrolled on the date of enactment, for example, because the beneficiary was unable to continue paying the premium. Recession-related job loss threatens health coverage for many families. This provision is intended to provide targeted assistance to individuals and families who have been involuntarily terminated to enable them to afford premium payments for health insurance coverage under COBRA. The Joint Committee on Taxation estimates that this provision would help 7 million people maintain their health insurance by providing a vital bridge for workers who have been forced out of their jobs in this recession.

**Website:** <http://www.dol.gov/dol/topic/health-plans/cobra.htm>

**Contact:** (866) 4-USA-DOL

## Facilities Construction

*\$415 million included for facilities construction, to be distributed as follows: \$227 million for 2 new facilities on the Indian Priority Facilities List, \$100 million for Maintenance and improvements, \$68 million for construction, repair and maintenance of Sanitation Facilities, and \$20 million for purchase of Medical Equipment.*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Labor

**Description:** The objectives of the Indian Health Service (IHS) health facilities management, health care facilities construction, sanitation facilities construction, and environmental health services programs are: (1) to provide optimum availability of functional, well-maintained IHS and tribally-operated health care facilities and adequate staff housing at health care delivery locations where no suitable housing alternative is available; and (2) to reduce the incidence of environmentally-related illness and injury by: (a) determining and addressing factors contributing to injuries; (b) working with the tribes to improve environmental conditions; and (c) constructing sanitation facilities and ensuring the availability of safe water supply and adequate waste disposal facilities in American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) homes and communities. Funding will be used for facilities construction projects, deferred maintenance and improvement projects, the backlog of sanitation projects, and the purchase of equipment.

**Contact:** Randy Grinnell Deputy Director, Management Operations

Indian Health Service  
801 Thompson Avenue, Ste. 440  
Washington, DC (301) 443-1083  
Randy.grinnell@ihs.gov

**Website:** [www.hhs.gov/recovery](http://www.hhs.gov/recovery)

## HOUSING

### Public Housing Capital Fund

*\$4 billion to be distributed to public housing agencies for capital repairs and improvements to federally-subsidized public housing. \$1 billion was also included for competitive grants for priority investments, including that leverage private-sector financing for renovations and energy conservation retrofits.*

**Agency:** Office of Public and Indian Housing - Office of Capital Improvements, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

**Description:** Provides funding to local housing agencies to repair and replace aging housing. To make capital repairs and improvements to public housing, including energy conservation measures.

**CO Profile:** <http://www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm?state=co>

**Contact:** HUD Denver Regional office: (303) 672-5440

**Website:** <http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/capfund/index.cfm>  
<http://www.hud.gov/local/co/renting/hawebites.cfm> - local CO offices

## Assisted Housing Stability, Energy, and Green Retrofit Investment Stimulus Program

*\$250 million was included for this program*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Affordable Housing Preservation

**Description:** Grants and loans will be made available through HUD's Office of Affordable Housing Preservation (OAHP) for eligible property owners to make energy and green retrofit investments in the property, to ensure the maintenance and preservation of the property, the continued operation and maintenance of energy efficiency technologies, and the timely expenditure of funds.

**Website:** <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/aheretrofith.cfm>

## Lead Hazard Reduction Program

*\$100 million for grants to local governments and nonprofit organizations to remove lead paint hazards in low-income housing.*

**Agency:** Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control, U.S. Department Of Housing and Urban Development

**Description:** Competitive grants funds will be available to remove lead paint hazards in low income housing. First priority for available funding will be given to 2008 grant applicants who were qualified but unfunded due to funding limitations.

**Contact:** HUD Denver Regional office: (303) 672-5440

**Website:** <http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/grantprograms.cfm>

## Housing Improvement Program

*\$20 million was included for distribution by Bureau of Indian Affairs for housing.*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs

**Description:** The Housing Improvement Program provides grants to eligible Tribes for housing repairs and renovations of existing homes, or for construction of a house for families who do not own a home but have ownership of sufficient land suitable for housing. Program funds are distributed regionally, and then based on individual income eligibility.

**Contact:** Les Jensen Program Manager

Housing Improvement Program, Office of Indian Services  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Department of the Interior 1849 C Street, NW,  
Mail Stop 4513  
Washington, DC 20240  
(202) 513-7620 [lesjensen@bia.gov](mailto:lesjensen@bia.gov)



## Indian Housing Competitive Grants

*\$255 million was included for tribes eligible for NAHASDA block grants to apply for competitive grants.*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

**Description:** The Native American Housing Block Grant program funds new construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, including energy efficiency and conservation, and infrastructure development activities. Funds can also be used to leverage private sector financing for new construction, renovation and energy retrofit investments. Funds will be distributed regionally, with projects awarded on a competitive basis. The competitive grants will go to support projects that spur construction and rehabilitation of homes and eligible projects, and create employment opportunities.

**Contact:** Rodger Boyd

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

451 7th Street, SW

Washington, DC 20410

(202) 401-7914

**Website:** <http://www.hud.gov/recovery>

## JOB TRAINING AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

### Dislocated Worker Assistance National Reserve

*\$200 million was included for DOL National Emergency Grants.*

**Agency:** Employment & Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor

**Description:** These funds will allow the Secretary of Labor to award competitive national emergency grants to respond to plant closings, mass layoffs and other worker dislocations.

**Website:** <http://www.doleta.gov/NEG/> <http://www.doleta.gov/grants/>

**Contact:** (877) 872-5627 (One-Stop Career Center Help Line)

### YouthBuild

*\$50 million was included for the YouthBuild Program. The conference agreement includes language to allow YouthBuild grantees to serve individuals who have dropped out of school and reenrolled in an alternative school, if that reenrollment is part of a sequential service strategy.*

**Agency:** Employment & Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor

**Description:** These competitive grant funds will provides services for at-risk youth, who gain education and occupational credentials while constructing or rehabilitating affordable housing.

**Website:** [http://www.doleta.gov/youth\\_services/youthbuild.cfm](http://www.doleta.gov/youth_services/youthbuild.cfm)

**Contact:** (877) 872-5627 (One-Stop Career Center Help Line)

## Green Jobs Training

*\$500 million was included for grants to train workers in energy efficiency and renewable energy jobs.*

**Agency:** Employment & Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor

**Description:** These competitive grant funds are designated for projects that prepare workers for careers in energy efficiency and renewable energy as described in the Green Jobs Act of 2007.

**Website:** <http://www.doleta.gov/>

**Contact:** (877) 872-5627 (One-Stop Career Center Help Line)

## Job Corps Program

*\$250 million for the office of Job Corps*

**Agency:** Office of Job Corps, U.S. Department of Labor

**Description:** These competitive grant funds will support construction and modernization of a network of residential facilities serving at-risk youth. The funds will allow the Office of Job Corps to move forward on a number of ready-to-go rehabilitation and construction projects, including those where competitions have already been concluded.

**Contact:** (202) 693-3000 (Job Corps Program), [national\\_office@jobcorps.gov](mailto:national_office@jobcorps.gov)

**Website:** <http://www.jobcorps.gov/>

## Trade Adjustment Assistance for Communities

*Created the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Communities program and authorizes \$150 million for the program.*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Commerce

**Description:** To provide technical assistance to affected communities to identify impediments to economic development that result from the impact of trade, and develop a community strategic plan to address economic adjustment and workforce dislocation in the community.

Communities provide the Secretary of Commerce with a strategic plan for community redevelopment. Communities must match 5% of the funds allotted by the Commerce Department.

**Website:** <http://www.coworkforce.com/EMP/>

**Contact:** (202) 482-2000 (U.S. Department of Commerce)

## Sector Partnership Grants

*Established the Sector Partnership Grant program and authorizes \$40 million for the program.*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Labor

**Description:** Establishes a Sector Partnership Grant program that allows the Secretary of Labor to award industry or sector partnership grants to facilitate efforts of the partnership to strengthen and revitalize industries. Funds will be used to facilitate partnerships between industry, State and local governments, firms, local labor and workforce investment boards, and educational institutions to strengthen and revitalize industries. Grants may be used to help the partnerships identify the skill needs of the targeted industry or sector and any gaps in the supply of available, skilled workers in the community impacted by trade. They may also be used to implement and develop strategies for small-and medium-sized firms to increase their productivity and retain workers.

**Website:** [www.dol.gov](http://www.dol.gov)

**Contact:** (877) US-2JOBS

## Community College and Career Training Grants

*\$40 million included for the Community College and Career Training Grants program.*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Labor

**Description:** Allows Educational Institutions to apply for grants which will be used to develop or improve a program for workers eligible for the TAA for Workers Program. Grant proposals must include information regarding the manner in which the grant will be used to improve or develop an education or training program, the extent to which the program will meet the needs of workers in the community, the extent to which the proposal fits into a communities strategic plan or Sector Partnership Grant, and any previous experience of the institution in providing such services to TAA eligible workers.

**Website:** [www.dol.gov](http://www.dol.gov)

**Contact:** (877) US-2JOBS

## Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms

*Reauthorizes the program through 2010, and increases to \$50 million the funding authorization for Fiscal Year 2009 and 2010 for the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms program*

**Agency:** Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce

**Description:** Provides consulting services to firms whose workers have been certified TAA eligible. Consulting services are administered through non-profit Trade Adjustment Assistance Centers (TAACs). There are 11 TAACs nationally, which receive funding through the Economic Development Agency. When workers are certified by the DOL to be TAA benefit eligible, the Secretary of Commerce is required to reach out to the firm to notify it of its potential TAA

eligibility. A final determination of eligibility is then made by the Secretary of Commerce. Grants for those eligible firms are made available by the Secretary to the 8 regional Economic Development Administrations, who then divide funding to the 11 regional TAACs, which provide various services to firms in order to increase their competitiveness.

**Website:** <http://www.eda.gov/Research/TradeAdj.xml>

**Contact:** (800) 677-3791 (Rocky Mountain Trade Adjustment Assistance Center)

## PUBLIC SAFETY

### **Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program**

*\$210 million was included for the firefighter assistance grant program for fire station construction. Each grant may not exceed \$15 million.*

**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), U.S. Department of Homeland Security

**Description:** Competitive grants to provide assistance for communities to modify, upgrade or construct state and local fire stations.

**Website:** [www.firegrantsupport.com/AFG/](http://www.firegrantsupport.com/AFG/)

**Contact:** (866) 274-0960 (Help Desk), [firegrants@dhs.gov](mailto:firegrants@dhs.gov)

### **SAFER (Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response) Grant Program**

**Agency:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), U.S. Department of Homeland Security

**Description:** To help fire departments increase the number of trained “front-line” firefighters available in their communities.

**Note:** The Recovery bill waives the cost-share requirement for SAFER grants awarded with fiscal year 2009 and 2010 funding.

**Website:** [www.firegrantsupport.com/safer/](http://www.firegrantsupport.com/safer/)

**Contact:** (866) 274-0960 (Help Desk), [firegrants@dhs.gov](mailto:firegrants@dhs.gov)

### **Byrne Competitive Grants Program**

*\$225 million to be used for the Edward Byrne Memorial Discretionary Grant Program.*

**Agency:** Office of Justice Assistance, U.S. Department of Justice

**Description:** To prevent crime, improve the administration of justice, provide services to victims of crime, support critical nurturing and mentoring of at-risk children and youth, and for other similar activities. In order to stabilize state, tribal, and local governments and fight crime, funds

can be used for a variety of purposes, including equipment, operations and support for other associated law enforcement personnel (such as prosecutors, public defenders, etc.). These funds can also be used to pay overtime expenses of officers on multi-jurisdictional task forces.

**Contact:** (866) 859-2687 (Bureau of Justice Assistance) [Byrne.Discretionary@usdoj.gov](mailto:Byrne.Discretionary@usdoj.gov)

**Website:** <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/>

## Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Hiring Grants

*\$1 million included for the COPS Hiring Grants program. The \$75,000 per officer salary cap and the 25% local match requirement is waived for funding provided in the stimulus, fiscal year 2009 and 2010 bills.*

**Agency:** Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), Department of Justice

**Description:** Competitive grants funding that may be used for hiring and rehiring of additional career law enforcement officers.

**Note:** The \$75,000 per officer salary cap and the 25% local match requirement is waived for funding provided in the stimulus, fiscal year 2009 and 2010 bills. State, local, and tribal law enforcement are eligible for this program.

**CO Profile:** [http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/pdf/Cong\\_Conf\\_Calls/Quick\\_Facts/COqf.pdf](http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/pdf/Cong_Conf_Calls/Quick_Facts/COqf.pdf)

**Grant Solicitation:** <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2108>

**Website:** [www.cops.usdoj.gov](http://www.cops.usdoj.gov)

**Contact:** (800) 421-6770 (COPS Office Response Center) [ask.Cops@usdoj.gov](mailto:ask.Cops@usdoj.gov)

## Transitional Housing Assistance Program

*\$50 million to be used for transitional housing assistance grant.*

**Agency:** Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Justice

**Description:** Provides competitive, peer-reviewed grants to assist victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking who are in need of transitional housing, short-term housing assistance, and related support services. Funds may be used for transitional housing, short-term housing assistance, support services designed to enable individuals who are fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to locate and secure permanent housing and integrate into a community by providing those individuals with services such as transportation, counseling, child care services, case management, employment counseling, and other assistance. Eligible recipients include states, units of government, Indian tribes, and other organizations, including domestic violence and sexual assault victim service providers, domestic violence and sexual assault coalitions, other nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations, or community-based and culturally specific organizations.

**Contact:** (202) 307-2277 (Office on Violence Against Women)

**Website:** [http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing\\_grant\\_desc.htm](http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing_grant_desc.htm)

## Tribal Governments Grant Program

*\$20.8 million included for the Tribal Government Grant Program.*

**Agency:** Office on Violence Against Women, United States Department of Justice

**Description:** The Tribal Governments Grant Program enhances the ability of Tribes to respond to violent crimes against American Indian and Alaska Native women, enhance victim safety, and develop education and prevention strategies. Eligible applicants include federally recognized Indian Tribes, their authorized designee, or a consortium consisting of two or more federally recognized Tribes. The OVW will award competitive grants, whose funds must be used for VAWA prevention efforts and prosecution of offenders.

**Contact:** Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)

ATTN: Tribal Unit

U.S. Department of Justice

800 K Street, N.W., Suite 920

Washington, D.C. 20530

(202) 307-3911, (202) 307-2277 (TTY)

**Website** <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/TribalCol.htm> <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/recovery.htm>  
<http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/indian-tribal-gov-grant.htm>

## Tribal Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Coalitions Grants

*\$2.8 million included for the Tribal Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Coalitions Grant.*

**Agency:** United States Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women

**Description:** The purpose of the Tribal Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Coalitions Grant Program is to assist in the creation of nonprofit coalitions whose mission is to help end violence against American Indian and Alaska Native women. Eligible applicants are established nonprofit, nongovernmental tribal coalitions addressing domestic violence and/or sexual assault against American Indian and Alaska Native women.

**Contact:** Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)

ATTN: Tribal Unit

U.S. Department of Justice

800 K Street, N.W., Suite 920

Washington, D.C. 20530

(202) 307-3911, (202) 307-2277 (TTY)

**Website:** <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/TribalCol.htm>  
<http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/recovery.htm>

## SMALL BUSINESS

### Micro-Loan Program

*\$6 million was included for direct loans provided under the Microloan program.*

**Agency:** U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)

**Description:** Provides very small loans to start-up, newly established, or growing small business concerns. Under this program, SBA makes funds available to nonprofit community based lenders (intermediaries) which, in turn, make loans to eligible borrowers in amounts up to a maximum of \$35,000. The average loan size is about \$13,000. Applications are submitted to the local intermediary and all credit decisions are made on the local level.

**Website:** [www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/microloans/index.html](http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/microloans/index.html)  
<http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/co/index.html>

**Contact:** (800) U-ASK-SBA, (800) 827-5722(775)

### 7(a) Loan Guarantee Program

*\$375 million was included for temporary fee reduction for the 7(a) loan guarantee program and the 504 loan program.*

**Agency:** U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)

**Description:** To ensure small businesses maintain have access to 7(a) loans that may be used to establish a new business or to assist in the operation, acquisition or expansion of an existing business.

**Note:** Temporary fee elimination - SBA is directed to collect no fee or reduce fees to the maximum extent possible for the 7(a) loan program. SBA may guarantee up to 90% of 7(a) loans.

**Contact:** (800) U-ASK-SBA (800) 827-5722 [answerdesk@sba.gov](mailto:answerdesk@sba.gov)

**Website:** [www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/7a/](http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/7a/)  
[www.sba.gov/localresources/district/co/index.html](http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/co/index.html)

### 504 Loan Program

*\$375 million was included for the temporary fee reduction for the 7(a) loan guarantee program and the 504 loan program.*

**Agency:** U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)

**Description:** To ensure small businesses maintain adequate access to 504 loans for fixed asset projects. 504 loans may be used for purchasing land and improvements, ARRA Guide | 48 including existing buildings, grading, street improvements, utilities, parking lots and landscaping; construction of new facilities, or modernizing, renovating or converting existing

facilities; or purchasing long-term machinery and equipment. Fees total approximately three (3) percent of the debenture and may be financed with the loan.

**Note:** Temporary fee elimination - SBA is directed to collect no fee or reduce fees to the maximum extent possible for the 504 loan program.

**Contact:** (800) U-ASK-SBA (800) 827-5722 [answerdesk@sba.gov](mailto:answerdesk@sba.gov)

**Website:** [www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/cdc504/index.html](http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/cdc504/index.html)  
[www.sba.gov/localresources/district/co/index.html](http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/co/index.html)

## Business Stabilization Program

*\$225 million was included for loan subsidies and loan modifications for loans to small business that are experiencing immediate financial hardship.*

**Agency:** U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)

**Description:** To provide loans on a deferred basis to viable small business concerns that have a qualifying small business loan and are experiencing immediate financial hardship. Funds may be used to make periodic payment of principal and interest, either in full or in part, on an existing small business loan for no more than 6 months

**Contact:** (800) U-ASK-SBA, (800) 827-5722 [answerdesk@sba.gov](mailto:answerdesk@sba.gov)

**Website:** [www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/cdc504/index.html](http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/cdc504/index.html)  
<http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/co/index.html>

## Indian Guaranteed Loan Program

*\$10 million was included to expand the Indian Guaranteed Loan Program.*

**Agency:** Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs

**Description:** Created to stimulate and increase Indian entrepreneurship and employment through establishment, acquisition or expansion of Indian-owned economic enterprises, the program provides guaranteed loans for tribes and Indian-owned businesses. Frequently, borrowers leverage loan funds to secure other sources of federal and private funds. Recovery funds are available to guarantee business loans for tribal and individually-owned Indian businesses.

**Contact:** Mr. Bob Middleton

U.S. Department of the Interior  
Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development  
Room 20 C-South Interior Building  
1951 Constitution Ave., NW  
Washington, DC 20245  
(202) 208-5324



# TRANSPORTATION

## Capital Investments Grants (New Starts & Small Starts)

*\$750 million was included for capital investment grants.*

**Agency:** Federal Transit Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation

**Description:** For light rail lines, rapid rail (heavy rail), commuter rail, automated fixed guideway system, or bus-way/high occupancy vehicle (HOV) facilities. Funds are distributed on a discretionary basis for New Starts and Small Starts projects that are already in construction or are nearly ready to begin construction.

**Contact:** (202) 366-4020 - (FTA Office of Program Management),

<http://ftawebprod.fta.dot.gov/ContactUsTool/Public/NewRequest.aspx>

**Website:** [http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants\\_financing\\_3590.html](http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants_financing_3590.html)

## Transit Capital Assistance-Discretionary Grants

*\$100 million was included for transit capital assistance grants.*

**Agency:** Federal Transit Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation

**Description:** Discretionary grants to public transit agencies to improve energy efficiency, and reduce costs and dependence on foreign oil.

**Website:** [www.fta.dot.gov](http://www.fta.dot.gov)

**Contact:** (202) 366-4020 - (FTA Office of Program Management)

## National Surface Transportation System - Discretionary Grants

*\$1.5 billion was included for discretionary grants for the National Surface Transportation System.*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Transportation

**Description:** Funding will be allocated to state and local governments for projects that have a large-scale or regional impact. Funding is available for highway, rail, and public transportation projects among others. The DOT is still in the process of publishing guidelines for distributing this funding.

**Contact:** Bob Bini, [Robert.bini@dot.gov](mailto:Robert.bini@dot.gov) (202) 366-4000 (General Information)

**Website:** <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/index.htm>

## Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail and Intercity Passenger Rail Service

*\$8 billion was included for Capital Assistance to States and the High Speed Passenger Rail Program.*

**Agency:** Federal Railroad Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation

**Description:** The Capital Assistance to States—Intercity Passenger Rail Service program provides grants on a discretionary basis to states to fund necessary capital improvements to improve intercity passenger rail service. Grants under this program are awarded to the most meritorious projects as measured against statutory criteria. Discretionary grants to States to provide capital assistance for improving intercity passenger rail service as well as maintaining existing passenger rail corridors.

**Website:** [www.fra.dot.gov](http://www.fra.dot.gov)<http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/1954>

**Contact:** (202) 366-4000 (General Information)

## Capital Grants to Amtrak

*\$1.3 billion included for capital grants to Amtrak for security and non-security improvements.*

**Agency:** Federal Railroad Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation

**Purpose:** To maintain and improve the national system of intercity passenger rail. In addition to security improvements, repair, rehabilitation, or upgrade of railroad assets or infrastructure, and for capital projects that expand passenger rail capacity including the rehabilitation of rolling stock (locomotives and passenger cars).

**CO Profile:** <http://www.amtrak.com/pdf/factsheets/COLORADO08.pdf>

**Note:** Funds cannot be used for Amtrak's operating losses.

**Website:** [www.fra.dot.gov](http://www.fra.dot.gov)<http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/30>

**Contact:** (202) 366-4000 (General Information)

## Tribal Transit Set-Aside

*\$17.25 million is included to increase capital improvements under the Tribal Transit Program.*

**Agency:** U.S. Department of Transportation

**Description:** The goals of the Tribal Transit Program: 1) to enhance the access of public transportation on and around Indian reservations in nonurbanized areas to health care, shopping, education, employment, public services, and recreation; 2) to assist in the maintenance, development, improvement, and use of public transportation systems in rural and small urban areas; 3) to encourage and facilitate the most efficient use of all Federal funds used to provide passenger transportation in nonurbanized areas through the coordination of programs and services; and 5) to provide for the participation of private transportation providers in nonurbanized transportation to the maximum extent feasible. Funds will be distributed on a

competitive basis. Funds under this Act may be used for capital improvements, but not operating expenses.

**Contact:** Lorna Wilson

Non-Urbanized Area Formula Grants  
Federal Transit Administration, TPM-10400  
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(202) 366-0893  
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**Website:** [http://www.fta.dot.gov/index\\_9118.html](http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html)

## Road Maintenance and Repair

*\$143 million is included in the Act for repair and maintenance of BIA-maintained roads.*

**Agency:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of Interior

**Description:** The BIA Road Maintenance Program funds maintenance and repair of BIA transportation facilities, certain tribal transportation facilities, BIA road systems and related road appurtenances, highway bridges and drainage structures, and other uses identified in 25 C.F.R. Part 170. In addition, IRR High Priority Program assists tribes or tribal consortium whose annual allocation for roads construction/maintenance (under the IRR formula funding) is insufficient to complete a tribe's/consortium's highest priority project or assists tribes when emergency/disaster repairs to IRR projects are necessary. Funds For BIA-maintained roads, the Agency anticipates that approximately \$70 million will be disbursed to regions by historical allocation. The other \$70 million will go towards high-priority projects.

**Contact:** LeRoy Gishi

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Division Chief for Transportation  
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(202) 513-7711 (202) 365-2585 fax  
Leroy.gishi@bia.gov

**Website:** [http://www.fta.dot.gov/index\\_9118.html](http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html)

## INTERIOR

### Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations

*\$5 million was included for the Food Distribution Program.*

**Agency:** Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture

**Description:** The Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) provides commodity foods to low-income households, including the elderly, living on Indian reservations, and to Native American families residing in designated areas near reservations and in the State of Oklahoma. Funds under this Act are to be used to upgrade facilities and equipment used for FDPIR. Programming priorities should be communicated with the local FDPIR administrator and regional FNS office.

**Website:** [http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/recovery/memos/FDPIR\\_022609.pdf](http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/recovery/memos/FDPIR_022609.pdf)

### Native Elder Nutrition

*\$3 million total included for expanding nutrition programs; current recipients of these funds will be eligible to receive funding.*

**Agency:** Administration on Aging, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

**Description:** This program awards grants directly to Tribes and Tribal organizations and native organizations for nutrition services (including congregate and home delivered meals), information and assistance, transportation, and in-home supportive services. Most sites provide hot congregate meals four to five times a week. Home-delivered meals are available for elders who are in poorer health, are more functionally impaired, are more apt to be homebound and in need of transportation services, or in need of in-home supportive services. Funds will be used to expand nutrition services.

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(202) 357-3501

### Bureau of Land Management (BLM) – Management of Lands and Resources

*\$125 million included for the management of lands and resources BLM-wide.*

**Agency:** Bureau of Land Management

**Description:** This funding is intended for resource management activities on BLM administered lands. The BLM has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time and which creates lasting value for the American public. The BLM is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among states and programs. They will be considering deferred maintenance, abandoned mine and well site remediation, road and trail maintenance, watershed improvement, and high priority habitat restoration, as well as other resource management activities.

**Website:** <http://www.doi.gov/recovery>

## **Bureau of Land Management (BLM) – Construction**

*\$180 million included for construction projects BLM-wide.*

**Agency:** Bureau of Land Management

**Description:** This funding is intended for construction activities on BLM lands. The BLM has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time and which creates lasting value for the American public. The BLM is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among states and programs. They will be considering construction, reconstruction, decommissioning and repair of roads, bridges, trails, property, and facilities and for energy efficient retrofits of existing facilities, critical deferred maintenance projects, and remediation of abandoned mine and well sites on all BLM managed lands.

**Website:** <http://www.doi.gov/recovery>

## **Bureau of Land Management (BLM) – Wildland Fire Management**

*\$15 million included to for wildland fire management projects BLM-wide.*

**Agency:** Bureau of Land Management

**Description:** This funding is intended for wildland fire management on BLM lands. These funds are to be used for high priority hazardous fuels reduction projects on BLM lands.

**Website:** <http://www.doi.gov/recovery>

## **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) – Resource management**

*\$165 million included for resource management FWS-wide.*

**Agency:** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

**Description:** This funding is intended for FWS resource management. The FWS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time and which creates lasting value for the American public. The FWS is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among regions and programs. They will be considering priority critical deferred maintenance and capital improvement projects,

construction, and high priority restoration projects on National Wildlife Refuges, National Fish Hatcheries, and other FWS properties.

**Website:** <http://www.doi.gov/recovery>

**Contact:** (916) 414-6464 (Sacramento Regional Office)

## U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) – Construction

*\$115 million included for construction FWS-wide.*

**Agency:** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

**Description:** This funding is intended for FWS construction projects. The FWS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time and which creates lasting value for the American public. The FWS is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among regions and programs. They will be considering critical deferred maintenance and capital improvement projects, construction, reconstruction and repair of roads, bridges, property, and facilities and energy efficient retrofits of existing facilities and energy conservation projects and habitat restoration on National Wildlife Refuges, National Fish Hatcheries and other FWS properties.

**Website:** <http://www.doi.gov/recovery>

**Contact:** (916) 414-6464 (Sacramento Regional Office)

## National Park Service (NPS) – Operations

*\$146 million included for operations NPS-wide.*

**Agency:** National Park Service

**Description:** This funding is intended for NPS operations. The NPS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time and which creates lasting value for the National Park System and its visitors. The NPS is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among regions and programs. They will be considering deferred maintenance, repair, and rehabilitation of facilities, trails and other infrastructure, and for other critical repair and rehabilitation projects.

**Website:** <http://www.doi.gov/recovery>

**Contact:** (202) 208-6843 (Headquarters public information office)

## National Park Service (NPS) – Construction

*\$589 million included for construction NPS-wide.*

**Agency:** National Park Service

**Description:** This funding is intended for NPS construction. The NPS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time

and which creates lasting value for the National Park System and its visitors. The NPS is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among regions and programs. They will be considering deferred maintenance, repair and rehabilitation of facilities, trails and other critical infrastructure and for other critical repair and rehabilitation projects.

**Website:** <http://www.doi.gov/recovery>

**Contact:** (202) 208-6843 (Headquarters public information office)

## United States Geological Survey (USGS) – Surveys, Investigations, and Research

*\$140 million included for surveys, investigations, and research, USGS-wide.*

**Agency:** United States Geological Survey

**Description:** This funding is intended for surveys, investigations, research, and repair, construction and restoration of USGS infrastructure. The USGS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to maximize jobs and provide lasting improvement to our Nation's science capacity. The USGS will consider a wide variety of activities, including repair, construction and restoration of facilities; equipment replacement and upgrades including stream gages, seismic and volcano monitoring systems; national map activities; and other critical deferred maintenance and improvement projects which can maximize jobs

**Website:** <http://www.doi.gov/recovery>

**Contact:** (888) 275-8747 (National Headquarters)

## U.S. Forest Service (FS) – Capital Improvement and Maintenance

*\$650 million included for Capital Improvement and Maintenance FS-wide.*

**Agency:** U.S. Forest Service

**Description:** This funding is intended for FS capital improvement and maintenance. The FS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time and which creates lasting value for the American public. The FS is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among regions and programs. They will be considering priority road, bridge and trail maintenance, decommissioning, reconstruction and capital improvement, including related watershed restoration and ecosystem enhancement projects; facilities improvement and deferred maintenance and renovation including alternative energy technologies; remediation of abandoned mine sites and other related critical habitat and forest improvement projects; and support costs necessary to carry out this work.

**Website:** <http://www.fs.fed.us/recovery>

**Contact:** (800) 832-1355 (National Headquarters)

## U.S. Forest Service (FS) – Wild *and* Fire Management on Federal Lands

*\$250 million included for wildland fire management projects on FS land, FS-wide.*

**Agency:** U.S. Forest Service

**Description:** This funding is intended for FS wildland fire management efforts on FS lands. The FS has been directed to use these funds for hazardous fuels reduction, forest health protection, rehabilitation and hazard mitigation activities on Federal lands.

Colorado: \$616,000 (Chaffee, Pueblo, Custer, Teller, Park, and Lake Counties) - To remove dilapidated buildings that are not accessible to people with disabilities and replace them with campground toilet buildings that are handicapped accessible.

\$1,543,000 (Larimer County) – Improvements to Rocky Mountain Research Station. Make lab more energy efficient by installing alternative energy source on roof. Allow further consolidation out of leased space.

**Note:** Please see the FS wood-to-energy grants category

**Website:** <http://www.fs.fed.us/recovery>

**Contact:** (800) 832-1355 (National Headquarters)

## U.S. Forest Service (FS) – Wildland Fire Management cooperative activities on State and private Lands

*\$250 million included for wildland fire management cooperative activities on State and private lands, nationwide.*

**Agency:** U.S. Forest Service

**Description:** This funding is intended for FS wildland fire management assistance programs on State and private lands. The FS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time and which creates lasting value for the American public. The FS is provided flexibility to allocate funds among existing State and private assistance programs to choose programs that provide the maximum public benefit. They will be considering hazardous fuels reduction, forest health and ecosystem improvement activities on State and private lands using all authorities available to the Forest Service.

**Note:** Funds provided for activities on State and private lands shall not be subject to matching or cost share requirements. Please also see the FS wood-to-energy grants category.

**Website:** <http://www.fs.fed.us/recovery>

**Contact:** (800) 832-1355 (National Headquarters)



## U.S. Forest Service (FS) – Wood-to-Energy Grants

*Up to \$50 million of the \$500 million combined total for FS land and State and private land wildland fire management activities (also described here), nationwide.*

**Agency:** U.S. Forest Service

**Description:** This funding is intended to establish a stable, broad-based program utilizing wood as an alternative to fossil fuels (wood-to-energy) Develop and offer competitive wood-to-energy grants to promote increased utilization of biomass from Federal, State, and private lands.

**Note:** The funds available for these grants are a subset of the combined totals identified above for FS land and State and private land wildland fire management activities.

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